

## A B S T R A C T

A APPLIANCE FOR CLEANSING THE COLON DURING A SURGICAL  
OPERATION WITH THE STOMACH OPEN AND THE COLON CLOSED

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An apparatus for peroperative cleansing of the colon, the apparatus comprising a cylindrical body for irrigation with a cleansing liquid, the distal end of the body being provided with a strainer, means for loosening solid fecal matter, and suction means for sucking up the cleansing liquid and the loose fecal matter. The cylindrical irrigation body comprises: two flexible coaxial tubes 2, 3 having the length of the colon and separated by a gap 4, the outer tube 2 being adaptable to the shape of the colon, the inner tube 3 serving for draining the cleansing liquid and the fecal matter, and the gap 4 between the two tubes providing a passage for the cleansing liquid; and a rigid toroidal part, which part forms an introducer element 1 having sealing membranes and attached to the colon, and in which the two coaxial tubes 2, 3 slide.

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